HOUSE BILL 1736

By Winningham

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-1425, relative to limitations on the levy of a tax on the privilege of occupancy of a hotel in certain municipalities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-1425, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

() The provisions of this section shall not apply in any municipality which is located within the boundaries of all of the following three (3) counties: a county having a population of not less than seventy-one thousand three hundred (71,300) nor more than seventy-one thousand four hundred (71,400), a county having a population of not less than nineteen thousand five hundred (19,500) nor more than nineteen thousand seven hundred seventy-five (19,775) and a county having a population of not less than fifty-one thousand nine hundred (51,900) nor more than fifty-two thousand (52,000), all according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census; provided that such municipality is authorized to levy a privilege tax by ordinance adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of its governing body upon the privilege of occupancy in any hotel located within the municipality of each transient in an amount not to exceed five percent (5%) of the consideration charged by the operator. Such ordinance shall set forth the manner of collection and administration of such privilege tax.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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